Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (original) In an optical component in combination with an adhesive composition, the improvement comprising the adhesive composition being a crosslinked product of components which comprise:

(A) a copolymer of a (meth)acrylic ester having a weight-average molecular weight of 500,000 to 2,000,000, said weight-average molecular weight being the weight-average molecular weight of a corresponding polystyrene obtained in accordance with gel permeation chromatography and

(B) a crosslinking agent comprising an adduct of a polyisocyanate compound which comprises (a) isocyanate difunctional adducts of a diisocyanate compound with a diol and (b) adducts of a diisocyanate compound with a polyhydric alcohol, and having an isocyanate functionality of three or

greater, in amounts such that a ratio of the amounts by weight of the difunctional adducts (a) and the adducts (b) is 95:5 to 10:90,

wherein the copolymer (A) contains portions capable of reacting with the crosslinking agent (B), and wherein said crosslinking agent (B) is in an amount of 0.001 to 50 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of said copolymer (A).

Claim 2. (original) An adhesive sheet comprising a substrate sheet and a layer which comprises an adhesive composition which is disposed on at least one face of the substrate sheet, the adhesive composition being a crosslinked product of components which comprise:

(A) a copolymer of a (meth)acrylic ester having a weight-average molecular weight of 500,000 to 2,000,000, said weight-average molecular weight being the weight-average molecular weight of a corresponding polystyrene obtained in accordance with gel permeation chromatography and

(B) a crosslinking agent comprising an adduct of a polyisocyanate compound which comprises (a) isocyanate difunctional adducts of a diisocyanate compound with a diol and (b) adducts of a diisocyanate compound with a polyhydric alcohol, and having an isocyanate functionality of three or greater, in amounts such that a ratio of the amounts by weight of the difunctional adducts (a) and the adducts (b) is 95:5 to 10:90,

wherein the copolymer (A) contains portions capable of reacting with the crosslinking agent (B), and wherein the crosslinking agent (B) is in an amount of 0.001 to 50 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of said copolymer (A), wherein the diisocyanate compound which forms the adduct (a) or the adducts (b) is selected from the group consisting of tolylene diisocyanate, diphenylmethane diisocyanate, xylylene diisocyanate, hexamethylene diisocyanate, isophorone diisocyanate and hydrogenated diphenylmethane diisocyanate; the diol which forms adducts (a) is selected from the group consisting of ethylene glycol, 1,3-propanediol, 1,4-butanediol, 1,6-hexanediol, polyethylene glycol, polypropylene

glycol and polytetramethylene glycol; the polyhydric alcohol which forms the adducts (b) is selected from the group consisting of glycerol, trimethylolpropane, trimethylolethane, pentaerythritol and dimers thereof.

Claim 3. (original) An adhesive optical component comprising an optical component in a form of a sheet and a layer which comprises an adhesive composition which is disposed on at least one face of the optical component, the adhesive composition being a crosslinked product of components which comprises:

(A) a copolymer of a (meth)acrylic ester having a weight-average molecular weight of 500,000 to 2,000,000, said weight-average molecular weight being the weight-average molecular weight of a corresponding polystyrene obtained in accordance with gel permeation chromatography and

(B) a crosslinking agent comprising an adduct of a polyisocyanate compound which comprises (a) isocyanate difunctional adducts of a diisocyanate compound with a diol and (b) adducts of a diisocyanate compound with a polyhydric alcohol, and having an isocyanate functionality of three or

greater, in amounts such that a ratio of the amounts by weight of the difunctional adducts (a) and the adducts (b) is 95:5 to 10:90,

wherein the copolymer (A) contains portions capable of reacting with the crosslinking agent (B), and wherein said crosslinking agent (B) is in an amount of 0.001 to 50 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of said copolymer (A).

Claim 4. (original) An adhesive optical component according to Claim 3, wherein the optical component is a polarizing plate.

Claims 5 to 13. (canceled)

Claim 14. (original) An optical component in combination with an adhesive composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is in an amount of 0.01 to 10 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

Claim 15. (original) An adhesive sheet according to Claim 2, wherein the component (B) is in an amount of 0.01 to 10 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

Claim 16. (original) An adhesive sheet according to Claim 3, wherein the component (B) is in an amount of 0.01 to 10 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

Claims 17 to 24. (canceled)

Claim 25. (new) An optical component in combination with an adhesive composition according to Claim 1, wherein the copolymer of the (meth)acrylic ester has a weight-average molecular weight of 800,000 to 1,800,000.

Claim 26. (new) An optical component in combination with an adhesive composition according to Claim 1, wherein the copolymer of the meth(acrylic) ester has a weight-average molecular weight of 1,200,000 to 1,600,000.

Claim 27. (new) An optical component in combination with an adhesive composition according to Claim 26, wherein the adduct of the polyisocyanate compound has a weight-average molecular weight of 100 to 100,000.

Claim 28. (new) An optical component in combination with an adhesive composition according to Claim 26, wherein the adduct of the polyisocyanate compound has a weight-average molecular weight of 500 to 10,000.

Claim 29. (new) An optical component in combination with an adhesive composition according to Claim 1, wherein the adhesive composition does not include a plasticizer.

Claim 30. (new) An adhesive sheet according to Claim 2, wherein the copolymer of the (meth)acrylic ester has a weight-average molecular weight of 800,000 to 1,800,000.

Claim 31. (new) An adhesive sheet according to Claim 2, wherein the copolymer of the (meth)acrylic ester has a weight-average molecular weight of 1,200,000 to 1,600,000

Claim 32. (new) An adhesive sheet according to Claim 31, wherein the adduct of the polyisocyanate compound has a weight-average molecular weight of 100 to 100,000.

Claim 33. (new) An adhesive sheet according to Claim 31, wherein the adduct of the polyisocyanate compound has a weight-average molecular weight of 500 to 10,000.

Claim 34. (new) An adhesive sheet according to Claim 2, wherein the adhesive composition does not include a plasticizer.

Claim 35. (new) An adhesive optical component according to Claim 3, wherein the copolymer of the (meth)acrylic ester has a weight-average molecular weight of 800,000 to 1,800,000.

Claim 36. (new) An adhesive optical component according to Claim 3, wherein the copolymer of the (meth)acrylic ester has a weight-average molecular weight of 1,200,000 to 1,600,000.

Claim 37. (new) An adhesive optical component according to Claim 36, wherein the adduct of the polyisocyanate compound has a weight-average molecular weight of 100 to 100,000.

Claim 38. (new) An adhesive optical component according to Claim 36, wherein the adduct of the polyisocyanate compound has a weight-average molecular weight of 500 to 10,000.

Claim 39. (new) An adhesive optical component according to Claim 3, wherein the adhesive component does not include a plasticizer.